(b) in which of the Railway Zones incidents of thefts in running trains have been reported highest stating the percentage of rise in the thefts during 1988 and 1989 (till date) as compared to the corresponding period in the previous year; and

(c) what measures have been taken by Government to effectively check the theft incidents in running trains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b). There is no report available with the Government to indicate the rise or fall of the theft incidents on running trains. Information regarding the number of cases of thefts on running trains is not compiled by the Central agencies.

(c) Prevention of crime is the responsibility of the State Governments. The Government Railway Police, which functions under the control of State Governments, provides escorts on super-fast|Mail|Express trains according to local conditions and requirements. The Railway Protection Force also assists the Government Railway Police in this task as and when necesary.

Difficulties in lodging complaints about thefts in running trains

2972. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that to lodge complaints about thefts in the running trains the passengers are required to get down at the nearest railway station to report the loss to the railway police which involves breaking of journey adding to their difficulties;

(b) whether Government have considered the questionof simplifying the procedure by providing necessary facility for lodging complaint i nthe train itself; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c). The Ministry of Railways have informed that the railway passengers need not break their journey for lodging complaints with the police about theft etc., on the running trains. A format has been introduced, which is available with the Train Conductors, Coach Attendants, Train Guards and Train Police Escort party, if any. The victim passengers can lodge their comlaints in this format and hand it over to one of the train accompanying staff mentioned above under acknowledgement. The train accompanying staff will get the complaint registered at the next Railway Police Station.

Loans granted by nationalised banks under Self Employment Scheme

2973. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) how many persons were granted loans by the nationalised banks under the Self Employment Scheme between 1985 and 1988;

(b) what was the maximum quantum granted to individual under this Scheme and what was the minimum; and

(c) what is the number of such persons who have been granted such loans State-wise year-wise and bank-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Under the Scheme for providing Self Employment to Educated Unemployed Youth (SEEUY), introduced during the year 1983-84, the number of persons

sanctioned loans during the years 1984-85 to 1987-88 are given below.

Year	No. of persons sanctioned loans
1984-85	228800
1985-86	220724
1986-87	216956
1987-88	120224

(b) Under the SEEUY Scheme a maximum loan of Rs. 35,000 is permissible for setting up of industrial ventures. The ceiling of loans for Service Buiness venture are Rs. 25,000|- and Rs. 15,000|-, respctively The minimum amount has not been prescribed, however, the actual amount sanctioned would depend upon the requirmnts of the project sanctioned.

(c) The Statewise position of number of persons who have been sanctioned loans under the SEEUY Scheme during the years 1984-85 to 1987-88 is set out in the Annexure. (*See* appendix CLI annexure No. 169). The bankwise position separately for each state is not available.

Sale of products of the units set up in the Export Processing Zone

2974. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state on what considerations five items produced by a unit in the Export Processing Zone have not been pertted to be sold in the domestic market, being sensitive in nature?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): Considerations such as high domestic premium for the product in view of differentials between internal and international prices, quantum of foreign exchange outgo that might result on account of possible leakages, likelihood of infringement of patents and copyright aspects, etc., have been taken into account in arriving at the list of sensitive items.

Import of raw silk from China

2975. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any quantity of raw silk was imported from China last year and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this step has put the Sericulturists of Karnataka and other silk producing States in distress; and

(c) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) During the year 1988-89, 414 tonnes of raw silk were imported from People's Republic of China.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Vacancies in Delhi Judicial Service

2976. SHRI V. GOPALSWAMY:

SHRI S. VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the number of vacancies in the Delhi Judicial Service during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the number of vacancies filled up during this period, yearwise;

(c) how many vacancies are there in Delhi Judicial Service as on date; and

(d) what steps are being taken to fill up these Vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.